digest thereof He had intended to present the book *by* the hands of the Countess of Warwick, but the Queen would not, * for,' quoth she, c if any subject of mine do me a service, I will thankfully accept it from his own hands ' Then opening the book she said, * You shall see that I can read/ and so with an audible voice read over the epistle and the title She demanded of him the meaning of certain terms He severally expounded the meanings, whereat the Queen, seeming well satisfied, said that she would be a scholar in her age and thought it no scorn to learn during her life, being of the mind of that philosopher who in his last years began with the Greek alphabet At length she fell upon the reign of King Richard the Second, saying * I am Richard the Second, know ye not that ? ' To which Mr Lambarde answered, * Such a wicked imagination was determined and attempted by a most unkind gentleman, the most adorned creature that ever your Majesty made ' The Queen answered, c He that will forget God will also forget his benefactors , this tragedy was played forty times in open streets and houses *9* She asked him whether he had seen any true picture or lively representation of the countenance of King Richard To which Mr Lambarde answered that he had seen none but such as be in common hands The Queen replied, c The Lord Lumley, a lover of antiquities, discovered it fastened upon the backside of a door of a base room, which he presented unto me, praying, with my good leave, that I might put it in order with the rest of the ancestors and successors I will command Thomas Knyvett, keeper of my house and gallery at Westminster, to show it unto thee ' Then she

proceeded to the Rolls
At length she commended the work, not only for the pains
thereof but also for that she had not received since her first
coming to the crown any one thing that brought therewith so
great delectation unto her , and so being called away to prayer,
she put the book in her bosom, having from first to last for-
bidden Mr. Lambarde to fall upon his knee before her, con-
cluding, * Farewell, good and honest Lambarde '

NEWS OF OSTEND

From Calais the news is that the enemy begin to wax cold
and hopeless in his attempts before Ostend, and that a sennight